

DRAFT MINUTES
Governor's Forest Health ADVISORY COUNCIL

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431, notice is hereby given to the members of the Forest Health Oversight Council and to the general public that the **Forest Health Advisory Council** will hold a meeting open to the public:

Thursday, October 13, 2005, 1:30 p.m.
Arizona Department of Transportation
Room 145
206 S. 17th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

- 1) Call to order – Taylor McKinnon
- 2) Review and vote on minutes from the **9.08.05** meeting
Not approved
- 3) Subcommittees
 - a. Reports
 - 1) Climate Variability and Change Impacts -Tom Swetnam. On September 23rd a meeting was held in Tucson it reviewed the progress on climate change impacts. Preparing a draft to present next year.
 - 2) Strategic Plan -Ethan Aumack. Planning on the strategic plan. Outline development and timeline for developing the plan. Wally will support subcommittee by providing a part time administrative assistant for this project. Hoping to have a the Monogon project by March for the governor's forest health.
 - 3) Landscape Context -Don Falk (see item 5 below)
Don Falk presented his report which is challenging and controversial. He summarized each section. He asked to please read, comment and point out any corrections. The text document and website will be e-mailed and available to Advisory Council. All comments should be submitted by the end of the month. In November's meeting will bring forward to the Oversight Council who would put into action to legislation to turn into policy.

Education - Michael Neal
Mapping & Assessment -Barron Orr
Desert Exotics, Fire, and Mgt- Jack Metzger
- 4) Overview of the information needs assessment underway by the Ecological Restoration Institute at Northern Arizona University as a part of recently passed federal legislation- This is part one of a two part exercise engaging the Forest Health Councils - Diane Vosick, Ecological Restoration Institute Analysis .
 - a) Goals of the legislation. Asking the council to identify needs. Help develop needs. I introduce the context and to be thinking about this.
- 5) Presentation, discussion, and approval of the Landscape Context Subcommittee report. Don Falk and Landscape Context Subcommittee.
- 6) Schedule and Plan of Work for the Council in 2005-2006
 - a. Schedule
 - b. Priorities
 - c. Potential Speakers
Restoration subcommittee. Receiving information between now and March.
Knowledge and Technology needs supporting the Governor
USDS Guidelines-
Species on the desert invasive (handouts)
Develop a policy, Jack Cattle grazing on forest
Water sheds
Smoke management and burning- Long term goal. ADEQ, American Lund Assc, ect

Problem on insects, good insects and bad
Overview on what other councils are doing

- 7) Future meeting dates and locations
 - a. November 10, 2005- Location
- 8) Call to the Public
- 9) Adjournment 3:15 p.m.

Dated this 8th day of February - Governor's Forest Health Advisory Council

CO-CHAIRS

Taylor McKinnon – Grand Canyon Trust

Beth Zimmerman – Arizona Department of Emergency Services

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